UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN RE PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY AVERAGE WHOLESALE PRICE LITIGATION) MDL No. 1456) Master File No. 01-12257-PBS
	Judge Patti B. Saris
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:)
State of California, ex rel. Ven-A-Care v.)
Abbott Laboratories, et al.)
CASE #: 1:03-ev-11226-PBS)
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S AND RELATOR'S STATUS REPORT APRIL 1, 2005

The undersigned counsel, on behalf of plaintiffs STATE OF CALIFORNIA

("CALIFORNIA") and Relator, VEN-A-CARE OF THE FLORIDA KEYS, INC. ("VEN-A-CARE" or "RELATOR"), hereby submit the attached Status Report to the Court in accordance with the Court's June 17, 2004 Procedural Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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By:

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Complaint-in-Intervention:

Plaintiffs intend to file an amended Complaint-in-Intervention, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which will supersede the original Complaint-in-Intervention filed against defendants ABBOTT LABORATORIES, INC., WYETH INC., and WYETH PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. in California State Court on January 7, 2003.

Anticipated Filings:

The Attorney General of California will file additional motions, under seal, as are necessary to fully and effectively prosecute this case under the California False Claims Act (Cal. Gov't. Code §§ 12650, et seq.). In addition, plaintiffs will request a Status Conference and the entry of a Case Management Order by a motion to be filed soon.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Brian V. Frankel, hereby certify that on April 1, 2005, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing, **STATE OF CALIFORNIA'S AND RELATOR'S STATUS REPORT APRIL 1, 2005,** to be served on all counsel of record via electronic service pursuant to Paragraph 11 of Case Management Order No. 2, by sending a copy to Verilaw Technologies for posting and notification to all parties.

Dated: April 1, 2005

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